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## (54) RESONATOR AND PROCESS FOR PERFORMING BIOLOGICAL ASSAY

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#### (57) ABSTRACT

A process for assaying a biological sample includes: receiving a reference sample by an acoustic article including: a resonator including: a substrate; a piezoelectric member; and a phase noise detector; disposing the reference sample on the piezoelectric member; producing a reference phase noise signal; detecting the reference phase noise signal; disposing a biological sample on the piezoelectric member; producing a first biological phase noise signal; detecting the first biological phase noise signal; contacting the biological sample disposed on the piezoelectric member with an antimicrobial agent; producing a second biological phase noise signal; and analyzing the first biological phase noise signal, the second biological phase noise signal, the second biological phase noise signal, and the reference phase noise signal to assay the biological sample.

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